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Our Duty In Cuba

The Cuban annexationists are going to have a hard and probably lengthy fight to accomplish their purpose. The pledges made by the United States during the time of the war with Spain and the emphatic stand since taken by Roosevelt, indicate that it will take a lot to swing the Washington government into line with the policy of making Cuba an American possession of any kind. The Cubans themselves, ever a rebellious people, will probably demand by a large majority that if admitted at all they come into the Union only as a State. In view of the character of Cuba's population this must be regarded as an impossibility quite as much as immediate statehood for Hawaii is. The annexation of Cuba in any other way,—perhaps even in this way,—would look very much like conquest. The United States would appear in rather bad light before the world if found a few years hence tackling General Weyler's problem of putting down a rebellion of Cuban patriots.

The present armed conflict of Cuba has a basis that is apparently fully sufficient to warrant a call to arms. There is evidence that the recent re-election of President Palma was simply by means of military control of the means of fraud at the polls. The rebels have declared that there are districts where the vote for Palma was in advance of the total voting population. An election of that sort would start a revolution in the United States, witness the narrow escape the country had from a serious outbreak over the narrow defeat of Tilden, if by fraud at all, by a much less palpable kind.

The experience of Hawaii, whose controlling government for several years knocked in vain for admission to the Union, might be taken as an example of what Cuban annexationists have to accomplish. After the small outbreak of 1895, there was no question about what was the responsible government of these islands and no question that that government offered and urged a treaty of annexation. Yet it took the emergencies of a war to cause the United States to open the door. Had there been earnest and open rebellion by the people of the islands it is very doubtful whether even the war would have brought about annexation.

In view of these considerations, it would seem that the Cuban annexationists are not likely to succeed except by some lucky chance, until they have solidified the sentiment of the population of the islands, in favor of their project. Perhaps when the islanders vote with fair unanimity for loss of their independence, the United States may feel justified in hauling down their flag. Until then, barring the creation of an emergency such as brought forward the "cannot let go" argument in the Philippines, Cuban independence ought to be safe. So far, the administration seems very anxious to avoid being jockeyed into any cannot-let-go, position.

Roosevelt And Spelling

A good deal of fun, good-natured and cynical, has been poked at the President, for his order directing the use of the simplified spelling in government reports, and in government communications. Our English brethren, or some of them, have looked on his action as something revolutionary and rebellious toward the language. But the President did a very sensible thing.

The simplified spelling is neither revolutionary nor radical. It does not propose anything but to accelerate and possibly guide, a process which has been going on in the language for centuries, and which has been going on to a very appreciable extent during the present generation. It is not intended to reduce the spelling of the language to a phonetic basis, nor even to a philosophical basis, at present.

Perhaps the best illustration of what the simplified spelling is attempting, is an instance of what had already been done before the Simplified Spelling Board took the matter up. Formerly, and in Great Britain and in most of her colonies, still, such words as color, labor, harbor were spelled colour, labour, harbour. In America the superfluous "u" has been dropped out for many years. To Americans of the present generation, the spelling without the "u" seems the reasonable, logical, and proper spelling. The spelling with the "u" is the one that challenges attention as being odd, curious, and inconvenient. Even our British brethren who cling to the older spelling of these words will not claim that any violence has been done to the language by this, now, well established change.

It is to make other similar changes that the Simplified Spelling Board is now directing its efforts, and a government report printed in accordance with its recommendations and the order of President Roosevelt, will not attract the attention of one in five hundred readers by its departures in spelling from the ordinary and accustomed.

But when once the public is accustomed to the fact that these changes are all in the direction of simplicity and convenience, the inertia which dreads change will be overcome, and further development along the same lines will be easier.

There is plenty of room for such improvement, and perhaps as a rule, those who welcome the proposals of the Simplified Spelling Board are those who spell most accurately according to present usage. Bad spellers, as a rule, do not really simplify the spelling of the words they use in any real degree. Except where they are guided, usually in a very crude way, toward phonetic spelling, their errors lie principally in introducing the perversities of correct spelling into places where the language has so far kept them out. It is a remarkable fact that a very large proportion of the ordinary errors of spelling are the result of a hazy and indistinct groping after the idiosyncracies of correct spelling. As the person outside of the newspaper profession who, in attempting to copy newspaper style of writing, as a rule copies only the grotesque, the exceptional, and the rare, instead of the usual, the accustomed and the usage of the best newspapers, so the bad speller, as a rule picks out the grotesque, the unusual and the rare and puts it where correct usage has decreed, the simple, the obvious.

President Roosevelt, has added to his many other valuable services to the American people, that of helping along a reform that has its uses in the intimate and daily life of all the people.

Citizen Labor

There has been more or less disposition in some quarters to sneer at the provision of law requiring that none but citizens or those eligible to become such, may be employed on public works. It seems, however, very probable that this provision of law has been of benefit to the labor situation so far as the plantations are concerned, in a wholly unexpected direction. The plantations are in a degree short of labor now. Bishop Restarick in his speech at the Southern California Editors' dinner the other evening spoke of it in regard to the Hamakua plantations. The

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efforts made to secure additional supplies of labor, show the same thing. It is morally certain that a very large proportion of the citizen labor that can be secured for the public works, could not be secured for plantation work. If therefore public work were opened to aliens it is unquestionable that a large number of alien laborers would be employed on public work. These for the most part would be taken away from the plantations, and their places on the plantations would not be filled by the citizen labor now employed on public works, so that the shortage of plantation labor would be rendered more acute than it is.

The Mongolia ought to be able to recoup any loss to her owners due to her stranding, out of a claim for salvage against herself.

The Democrats may be short on votes in this Territory, but they can adopt as long a platform as any other political organization.

The Rice family seem to be well represented on the Kauai Republican ticket. The Knudsen family, also have not been entirely overlooked.

Quite a number of the Proxy family have arrived from the other islands to attend the Democratic Territorial convention.

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POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

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David R. Francis of Missouri went abroad to see the Kaiser, and is informed that he can have an audience in the fall. That's a long time to sit on anybody's doorstep.

Several women at St. Joe were badly injured in a bargain counter rush. This sends one beloved joke to the hospital.

A professor of Clark University has been arrested in Russia. It could be understood if he were of Chicago University.

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